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City of Menomonie Clean Sweep Hazardous Waste Collection

Date: Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Time: 3:00 - 7:00 PM

Location: City of Menomonie Community

Services Building

621 11th Ave W, Menomonie

Fees: \$10/Vehicle, Cash or Check Only

Details:

- · City of Menomonie Residents Only
- Must display current solid waste permit to participate
- Enter the Community Services Building parking lot across from the Wastewater Treatment Plant



Acceptable Items

Automotive

- Antifreeze
- Brake Fluid
- Degreasers
- Gasoline & Fuels

Batteries

 Smaller than car battery in size (no alkaline or car batteries)

Bulbs

- Compact, U-Shape & Circular Fluorescent
- HID Lamps
- Fluorescent Tubes
- LED
- PCB & Non-PCB Ballasts

Cleaners

- Concrete Cleaners
- Polish & Spot Removers
- Pool Chemicals

Other Materials

- Aerosol Cans (not empty)
- Acids/Bases
- Rodent Bait
- Mercury

Paints/Solvents

- Oil & Lead Paint (no latex paint)
- Oil Based Stains & Polyurethanes
- Adhesives
- Turpentine, Strippers and Thinners

Pesticides

- Insecticides
- · Fertilizer w/ weed killer
- Herbicides
- Fungicides

Unacceptable Items

- Appliances
- Alkaline & Automotive Batteries
- Compressed Gas Tanks (propane, helium, spray foam, etc)
- Electronics
- Explosives (gunpowder, ammunition, fireworks)
- Latex Paint
- Medical Waste
- Pharmaceuticals
- Sharps
- Smoke Detectors
- Tires
- Fire Extinguishers

\$10/Vehicle

Cash or Check Only

Year-Round Hazardous Waste Disposal

Logistics Recycling (LRI)

- 707 Lehmann Way, Somerset, WI
- Call to set up an appointment
- · Fees apply
- Must drop off at their facility in Somerset
- 800-558-1166

This is not an inclusive list of acceptable & unacceptable items. If you have questions on specific items, please contact the City of Menomonie.



Clean Water
Starts in Your
Own Yard...

Water pollution has many sources. Up to half of all pollutants come not from factories or wastewater treatment

plants, but from many diffuse sources resulting from our own everyday activities. For example, grass

clippings and leaves blown into the street may get washed into the nearest waterways during the next rain event. Additionally, pet waste and pesticides in your yard may not seem like they could have a large effect on local streams and lakes, but our waterways receive stormwater from thousands of

homes and properties each time it rains. The storm sewer system in Menomonie discharges into Lake Menomin and the Red Cedar River. What we do in our own backyards and our communities can make all the difference to the quality of our lakes and streams.

Do your part to keep our water clean!

Below are some of the most common forms of pollution that end up in local waterways when not properly disposed of —



What can I do?

Top 10 things you can do to help Menomonie's area waters clean...

- Be a pooper scooper and pick up after your pets.
- Keep soil in your yard and out of our waterways.
- Keep leaves and grass clippings out of ditches and waterways.
- Kick your chemical dependency and consider non-toxic alternatives.
- Conserve water and harvest rainwater around your business or home.
- Don't overfeed your lawn with unnecessary fertilizers or chemicals.
- Practice careful car care by properly disposing of harmful fluids.
- Use a proper container for trash and recyclables.
- Be a watershed watchdog and report potential problems.
 - Support local efforts to improve water quality. Take action!



A message from the City of Menomonie & Rain to Rivers of Western Wisconsin. To learn more, visit www.raintorivers.org

Solid Waste Site - 1601 Gilbert Creek Road

Hours:

Tuesdays: 7 am – 6 pm Thursdays: 7 am – 6 pm Saturdays: 7 am – 12 pm Please arrive 15 minutes prior to closing.

Solid Waste Permits

City residents can request a permit at the Solid Waste Site or online at www.menomonie-wi.gov/ solidwastepermits.

A permit will be mailed to you once your address is verified.

Compost & Wood Chips Available

City residents can pick-up compost or wood chips at the Solid Waste Site for free during open hours. Compost is a great way to add nutrients to your lawn and garden!

City of Menomonie Residents Only

Accepted for a Fee:

Carpet

- · Small Roll \$20
- Medium Roll: (~10'x12') \$30
- Large Roll: \$40 & Up

Furniture

- Kitchen or Office Chairs: \$5
- Reclining Chairs: \$10
- Small Tables & Dressers: \$5
- · Large Tables & Dressers: \$10
- Couch/Loveseat/Sectional: \$20

Mattresses & Box Springs

Mattress: \$15

• Box Spring: \$15

· Crib Mattress: \$5

Payment is by cash or check only



Accepted for Free:

- · Bagged Household Trash
- Recyclables: Paper, Cardboard, Glass, Plastics #1, #2 & #5, Aluminum & Steel Cans
- Scrap Metal
- Used Oil & Oil Filters
- · Yard Waste & Brush

Please place these items in your recycling container, no sorting necessary!

Cans



Aluminum & Steel Cans Empty & rinse

Empty & rinse Labels can stay on

Glass



Glass Bottles & Jars

Empty, rinse & remove lid

Plastic



Plastic Kitchen, Laundry & Bath Containers

Empty, rinse & replace cap #1, #2 & #5

Paper



Mixed Paper, Magazines & Unwanted Mail

Keep loose, do not bundle

Cardboard



Cardboard & Paperboard

Flatten

Do **NOT** place these items in your recycling container:

Plastic Bags



Do not bag recyclables; return plastic bags and wrap to retail stores

Garbage



No food, liquids or garbage; empty all containers

Fridge & Freezer Boxes



No soda, beer or frozen food boxes

Tanglers



No hoses, cables or chains

Clothing



No clothing or textiles; use donation programs

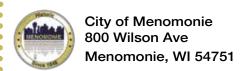
Environmental Presentations

City staff are available to present in-person or virtually to your group or organization on a variety of environmental topics including:

- Solid Waste & Recycling
- Water Quality & Storm Water
- Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

Contact Megen Hines, Environmental Program Coordinator, at 715-232-2221 (Ext. 1005) or mhines@menomonie-wi.gov to schedule a presentation.

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Supporting Clean Energy

The City of Menomonie set a goal to achieve 100% carbon-free electricity by 2050. Energy efficiency and renewable energy are two of our most powerful tools for reducing carbon emissions and helping our businesses, residents, and community thrive. With your help, we can achieve our near-term goals of doubling participation in renewable energy programs and increasing energy savings 30% to set us on track to achieve our 2050 goal.

Things You Can Do Today



Sign up for your free energy saving pack. Focus on Energy's free energy saving kits can help you avoid wasting energy and money. The kits include products like LED bulbs, high efficiency showerheads, faucet aerators, and hot water pipe insulation, which are easy to install and help you save instantly. Visit **focusonenergy.com/residential** to order your pack.



Upgrade your thermostat with an instant \$50 rebate. Smart thermostats connect to Wi-Fi and save energy for you automatically so you can focus on other things. The Focus on Energy marketplace offers instant rebates on a wide variety of smart thermostats. Go to **focusonenergymarketplace.com** to find the right smart thermostat for you.



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Check out our new energy website and read Menomonie's Energy Action Plan. The Menomonie City Council adopted an Energy Action Plan earlier this year to increase energy efficiency and renewable energy support in our community. Visit our new energy website at **menomonie-wi.gov/energy** and read our action plan.